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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TRICO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. AN ARIZONA CORPORATION< FOR AUTHORITY TO BORROW THE ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$58,786,000 FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (RDUP) AND THE ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$25,194,000 FROM NATIONAL RURAL UTILITIES COOPERATIVE, AND TO EVIDENCE SAID LOANS BY EXECUTION OF LOAN AGREEMENTS, PROMISSORY NOTES AND SECURITY DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY THE LENDERS.

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NOTIFICATION OF INTERVENTION

BY THE COMMISSION:

MIKE GLEASON, Chairman

On July 23, 2007, Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Trico" or "Cooperative") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an Application for Approval of Additional Financing. Trico requested authority to borrow: 1) the sum of \$58,786,000 from the United States of America through the Rural Development Utilities Programs ("RDUP"); 2) the sum of \$25,194,000 from National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation ("CFC"); and 3) to execute loan agreements, promissory notes evidencing such borrowings and such security documents as are required by the lenders.

On August 29, 2007, Local Union 1116, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO ("IBEW Local 1116") filed an Application to Intervene in the matter. IBEW Local 1116 is the exclusive representative of approximately 100 Trico employees, representing essentially all of Trico's employees except for managerial, professional and administrative employees. IBEW Local 1116 claims a direct interest in the outcome of the proceeding on account of its collective bargaining agreement with Trico. IBEW Local 1116 notes that Article 15 § 3 of the Arizona Constitution provides that the Commission shall "make and enforce reasonable rules, regulations, and orders for

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the convenience, comfort, and safety, and the preservation of the health, of the employees and patrons of [the public service corporation]."

On September 6, 2007, Trico filed an Objection to IBEW Local 1116's Application to Intervene. Trico states that the proposed loans are solely for capital improvements which are necessary for Trico to provide expanding electric service and the loan proceeds are not disbursed to Trico until the Cooperative has installed and paid for the capital improvements. Trico argues there is nothing in this proceeding that will affect the current or future collective bargaining agreements between Trico and its Union, which Trico claims is the Union's sole interest. Trico asserts the Union has no more direct or substantial interest in this proceeding than an individual employee or an individual creditor.

On September 7, 2007, IBEW Local 1116 filed a Reply in Support of its Application to Intervene. IBEW Local 1116 asserts that, like its customers or creditor, Trico's employees have an interest in the financial health of the Cooperative.

Pursuant to the Arizona Constitution, the Commission is charged with considering the interests of the corporation's employees in its rules regulations and orders affecting public service corporations. By virtue of its representation of Trico employees, IBEW Local 1116 has a direct and substantial interest and its participation should not unduly broaden the issues in this matter. Consequently, IBEW Local 1116 should be granted intervention.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that IBEW Local 1116's Application to Intervene is granted.

DATED this _/3th day of September, 2007.

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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